

Math Journal Prompts about Attitudes and Dispositions

- Explain how you feel about mathematics now as compared to when you were in a different grade. The difference between... and ... is...
- The most important part of solving a problem is...
- My best kept secret about math is... It makes me feel like...
- If math could be a color (shape, sound), it would be...because...
- Find something that you learned today that is similar to something you already knew. Write about these similarities.
- I want to become better at math so that I...
- People who are good at math...
- I use math in my life... It helps me to...
- My best experience with math was when...
- When I think of math, I think...
- My worst experience with math was when...
- When it comes to math, I find it difficult to...
- Write a letter to your teacher explaining what you do understand about the topic, and what needs to be clarified.
- When I hear someone say math is fun, I...
- Draw a picture of a mathematician and describe what a mathematician does.

- If I were better at math, I would...
- When I see a problem I don't know, the first thing I do is...Then I...
- What are the benefits of journal writing for math classes?
- Describe your feelings about when you are asked to show your work to others or to explain a problem.
- How could journal writing be changed to be more effective?
- Does mathematics or math class scare you in any way?
- When you make mistakes, what do you do first? Do you make corrections or ask questions? Why or why not?
- My three personal goals for math are...
- Describe how today's math class will affect your day.
- What did you like most about your previous math class? What did you like the least?
- My math grade now is ...because...
- This is how I feel about math...
- What is the most significant thing you learned this week?
- One mathematics activity I really enjoy is...because...
- What questions are still unanswered at the end of this week?
- Describe any discoveries you make about mathematics (patterns, relationships, procedures, etc.).
- My family feels that math is...